GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:418
ANSWERED ON:10.04.2003
AMOUNT TO RECOVER FROM OIL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount Railways has to recover from various oil companies, coalcompanies and private companies etc. including the interest;

(b) the measures the Railways has taken or propose to be taken to recover that amount with interest;

(c) whether any responsibility has been fixed on officials for not recovering the amount;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 418 BY SHRI A. NARENDRA T ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 10.04.2003 REGARDING AMOUNT TO REOVER FROM OIL COMPANIES.

(a) The total amount Railways has to recover from various Oil Companies, CoalCompanies and Private Companies as on 28.02.2003 was Rs.233 Crore. Railways neither levy interest on their freight and other related dues nor pay any interest on refund and claims for compensation.

(b) The measures taken by Railways to recover the dues are as under:

(i) Co-ordination meetings are conducted with various Oil Companies, Coal Companies and Private Companies at the Divisional and Headquarters level. Staff as well as officers at senior level periodically contact major defaulting parties in this regard.

(ii) Railways` outstanding dues are adjusted from dues of these defaulters.

(iii) In addition to above, a review will be made on the issues relating to outstanding dues of Railways after closing of the current financial year and plan of action will be finalized in this regard.

(c) to (e) Billing and recovery of dues is an on going process. The matter of recovery of dues is being pursued vigorously at all levels. Therefore, fixing of responsibility on officials of Railways does not arise.